



Rideau Township Historical Society

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September 2007 Newsletter

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- **Meeting** **Wednesday, September 19, 2007, 7:30 p.m.**
at the Rideau Township Archives
6581 Fourth Line Road, North Gower

Speaker: **Dr. Glenn Lockwood**

Topic: **Social history in the Rideau Valley**

Glenn Lockwood is the author of 10 books about the social history of the larger Rideau corridor. He grew up in the Toledo-Newbliss area in Leeds County and has been the recipient of several awards for his work.

Light refreshments

Bring a friend

For a ride call Brian Earl
613-692-2371

- **Last meeting:**

Thanks to Theresa Kelly and her cousins Lorne and Pauline Kelly for joining us for lunch at Kelly's Landing. Theresa presented the story of Kelly's Landing (before it became a landmark restaurant) to continue our "Year of the Rideau" programs.

- **Rideau Warriors:**

Mark Jodoin and his research assistant have continued and *Esprit de Corps* has published articles on Theodore DePencier, Rice and Ira Honeywell, and Molly Brant. The next issue will have the story of the Smyths of Smiths Falls.

- **Dickinson Square**

RTHS is in need of a member to serve on the Dickinson Square Heritage Management Inc. because our very capable Katherine Killins require some time off to care for family issues in the Niagara area. Best wishes and thanks from RTHS to Katherine.

• **Summer in Review:**

- June 30 President Mark and three friends attended the Ottawa Locks for the official announcement of the UNICEF designation of the Rideau as a World Heritage site.
- July 7 Elizabeth Stevens Stuart celebrated her 100th birthday, hosted by the Osgoode Township Historical Society and Museum. About 300 attended the party and the review of her accomplishments was remarkable. She is very busy and now lives in the Osgoode Care Centre.
- August 6 Colonel By Day at the Ottawa Locks was another success and RTHS has a booth hosted by Jane A, Betty B, Ron and Sandy W and Coral L.
- August 15 The R.T.A. staff and volunteers enjoyed a BBQ at the Tupper homestead for Dave Bullock, City Archivist, who is retiring in September.
- August 16-26 The theme for the Agriculture-Heritage component at SuperEx '07 was Lindsay's Wharf and the Rideau 175. Coral hosted the 11-day event and Parks Canada staff and students were our guests.

• **Coming events:**

- September 16 **Rideau 175: Romance of Steam**
The Merrickville Historical Society Lecture Series will host Mark Jodoin and Coral Lindsay at 2:00 p.m. A visual presentation prepared by Ron Wilson will start at 1:30 and will include rare photos of the steamboats and the river. This is part of the Rideau 175 celebration focusing on the steamboats.
Merrickville United Church, Hwy 43 and St. Lawrence St. 2:00 p.m.
- October 17 **RTHS meeting**
Gavin Liddy, Superintendent of the Rideau Canal, will be the guest speaker. More details to follow.
- October 21 **Rideau 175: Another Rideau World**
Jonathan Moore, Underwater Archaeologist, Parks Canada, with his videos of the Rideau below the surface.
- October 27 National Conference of the Power and Sail Squadrons of Canada
President Mark and Coral will be guest presenters re the Rideau 175.
- November 18 **Rideau 175: The Rideau as Living History**, by Doug Stewart

November 21

RTHS meeting

Coral Lindsay presenting Lindsay's Wharf on the Rideau, to round out our Rideau 175 programs.

Next executive meeting: to be announced

News from the Rideau Archives . . .

Hours:

The Archives is open every Tuesday from 9:30 am to 4:30 p.m., and at other times by appointment. (613-489-2926).

Working space:

Additional work stations have been set up to provide space for volunteers' computers.

Summer student:

Thanks to the RTHS for their generous support for our summer student, Chris Manoukian. Chris worked hard on a variety of tasks and the Archives benefited from his enthusiasm and knowledge. His four main accomplishments over the summer were:

- computerizing a record by-laws for North Gower and Marlborough townships
- documenting, indexing and labeling books donated to the Archives library
- sorting, describing and indexing the boxes of Archive material stored at the Client Service Centre
- inspecting tapes of oral history interviews, and converting to digital format.

Library:

Quite a few books have been donated to the Archives library. A list of some of the new additions is on the following page.

R.T.H.S. gratefully acknowledges the financial support received from the City of Ottawa.

Recent Additions to the Rideau Archives Library

160th Anniversary of St. John's Anglican Church, Richmond, Ontario, June 24th, 1983; 1823-1983.
283.71383 An

Booth, Brian D. Manotick in the Archaeological Age. 2007.
971.38401 Bo

Canadian Farm. Woman's Dept. Canadian Farm Cook Book. 1911.
VAULT - Box 261.9

Carleton Vice-Principals' Association. The History of Schools in the Carleton Board of Education. 1989.
371.01 Ca

The Consecration of the The Church of St. James The Apostle, Manotick, Ontario, October 24, 1993.
283.71383 Co

Crawford, Venetia, and Gunda Lambton. The Wildest Rivers - the Oldest Hills; Tales of the Gatineau and Pontiac. 1996.
398.209714

Douglas, W.A.B., et al. A Blue Water Navy; the Official Operational History of the Royal Canadian Navy in the Second World War, 1943-1945. Vol. II, part 2. 2007.
940.545971 Do

Dunford, Fraser. Municipal Records in Ontario; History and Guide. 2005.
929.1 Du

Eastman, Isobel. Growing Up Rural. 2007.
630.92 Ea

Fischer, Doug, ed. To the Editor; a Century of Letters; Ottawa Citizen. 2000.
971.384 Fi c.2

Grainger, Robert. Early Days in Westboro Beach; Reflections and Images. 2005.
971.384 G

Grant, Brenda, comp. Early History of W 1/2 of Lot #10, Concession #1, Township of North Gower: Present Address: Dawn 'Til Dusk Farm, 5993 Second Line Rd. S. R.R. #1, Kars, ON, K0A 2E0. [2007]
971.384 Gr

Griffin, John A., Robert H. Smith, Kenneth D. Castle. Canadian Military Aircraft; Aircraft of the Canadian Armed Forces; Serials and Photographs, 1968-1998.
358.4183 G

Jefferys, C.W. The Picture Gallery of Canadian History. Vol. I: Discovery to 1763. 1942.
971 Je

Jenkins, Phil. Fields of Vision: a Journey to Canada's Family Farms. 1991.
630.971 Je

Pole, Robert. Family Photographs, 1860-1945. 2002.
929.1 Po

Winston, Iris. Staging a Legend; a History of the Ottawa Little Theatre. 1997.
792.0223 Wi c.2